IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application: Trygve Ruste

Confirmation No. 1736 Group Art Unit: 3616

Application No.: 10/580,347

Examiner: Joseph M. Rocca

Filed: May 19, 2006 For: A SUB-FRAM

A SUB-FRAME FOR A VEHICLE AND A METHOD FOR ITS MANUFACTURE

Date: February 24, 2009

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED AUGUST 26, 2008

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated August 26, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as shown.

If any extension of time for the accompanying response or submission is required, Applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee, which may be required, or credit any refund, to our Deposit Account No. 50-0220.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 below.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the Listing of the Claims beginning on page 3 below.

Remarks begin on page 6 below.